

LAST EDITION

A FIEND'S WORK

**Determined Attempt to Burn Up the
Catholic Protectory.**

**Kerosene-Soaked Wood Set on Fire Near
the Gasometer.**

Hundreds of Little Children Put in Deadly Peril.

**The Fourth Incendiary Plot Against
the Protectory During the
Last Few Months.**

A deliberate and fiendish attempt to destroy life and property by fire was made at the New York Catholic Protectory early this morning.

At about 12.30 o'clock this morning Devils smelt smoke. It was the smell of burning wood

He did not wait to summon help, but went to work to extinguish the fire. It had not gained much headway and he soon put it out.

This time he summoned help, for the fire had gained too much headway for him to attempt to extinguish it unaided.

Three hundred little girls who slept in a dormitory building not fifty yards away began to

It was only by superhuman efforts and great coolness that the Sisters succeeded in quieting them. Then they were formed in platoons and

The special signal brought Engine Company 45 from West Farms, with Hook and Ladder companies 50 and 48. The engine got stuck in

Mr. Nolan, head foreman of the tailoring shop, lives in one of these. About 2.26 o'clock on the morning of the 18th, he was awakened

by the smell of smoke. He opened the front door of his house and found the stoop all as fire. It was fortunately put out quickly. Upon investigation it was found that shavings saturated with kerosene had started the blaze.

The Protectory people are terror-stricken and are wondering what will come next. They have heretofore made no attempts at investigation, but this time a thorough search will be made.

Brother Gregory said that he had no doubt that it was a fiendish and deliberate attempt to destroy human life. It may be said that the proof of incendiarism is positive, because no lamps of any description are used around the

It was also suggested that perhaps the incoming train might have come from New York on the train which leaves Harlem Bridge at midnight.

This theory may have some foundation, for THE EVENING WORLD man, in his investigations discovered that one of the station lamps had

The station agent, Mr. Cooney, said that the lamps were there when he left at 7 o'clock last

The firemen worked like beavers to save the

Two stables, each about 75 by 30 feet, were completely destroyed. They were two-story frame structures.

When the investigation into the cause of the fire was instituted the fiendish attempt was disclosed.

Where the first fire was discovered was found a kerosene lamp. It was made of tin and had a

It was burning when the watchman discovered it, and the wood was so placed and saturated with kerosene that when ignited it would quickly extend to a huge pile of tar barrels and

Two big retorts, containing about fifteen thousand cubic feet of gas each, would have

The side of the dormitory would surely have been blown in, and even were there no fire the subsequent panic would have resulted in a terrible loss of life. Every night in all of the build-

From the dormitory the fire could have easily resisted the attempts of the firemen to check and swept on through a succession of frames.

How the second fire was started no one knows. It is probable that the incendiary, seeing his first attempt foiled, immediately set fire to the stables.

This, however, is not the first attempt to burn the Protector buildings. Other attempts have equally d.abolical in their character have recently been made, and although efforts were made to suppress these facts, an EVENING

Six months ago a house belonging to the Pro-
tectors, but a half mile away, was set fire to
and burned to ashes. The house was empty
but evidences of incendiary origin were plain.

Later an attempt, similar to this morning's, was made to blow up the gas-house. The fire was started under the stoop, but was fortunately discovered in time.

The next attempt was made a little over week ago. A dozen cottages, a few hundred yards away from the Protectory, are tenanted by Protectory workmen and their families.

THE LINCOLNSHIRE.
The First Big Handicap of the Year Will be Run on Monday

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE PRESS NEWS ASSOCIATION
LONDON, March 27.—This was the last day of
the Lincoln Spring meeting, with the Lincoln

shire Handicap as the attraction. The distance is about a mile, and it is a sweepstakes at £2 each, half forfeit unless declared, with £1.00 added, the second to receive £50 out of the £100.

placed three are as follows:

Sir H. Jarding's ch. c. Wise Man, d. by Wisdom, dam Sweet Jessie, 106.....

Lord Lagan's h. c. Acme, d. by Dutch Skater, dam Mrs. 116.....

The winner, Wise Man, was a prominent favorite for the Lincolnshire ever since the weights appeared at the end of January. h

having late in the Autumn won the Great Eastern and Newmarket October handicaps at Newmarket.